

and then we need to go solve the drug company problem that will be created when we solve this. But let's take care of America's health first, and then let's go try to figure out how to solve their problem. But we've got the cart before the horse here. I think we're right and they're wrong.

Now those are just three issues. But you need to know the answer to the difference in their education plans, the environment, crime, the whole nine yards, and you need to be able to answer. Because I'm telling you, we need to elect Tom Carper. And we've got a chance to win the Senate, a chance to win the House; I believe we're going to win the White House. And then when we get there, we have to be faithful to the positive change of the last 8 years.

That's the last thing I'll say. When Al Gore says, "You ain't seen nothing yet," it may sound like a campaign slogan when a candidate says it. But I'm not running for anything, and I believe that too. Because it takes a long time to turn a country around. It's like a big ocean liner. That's what happened to the *Titanic*. The crew saw the iceberg; they just didn't see it quick enough. And you can't turn it on a dime. A country is like that. So it takes time to turn it around. I've done everything I know to do to turn the country around, to pull us together, to move us forward. But all the best stuff is still out there.

I mean, young women in this country, within 10 years, I think they'll be having babies with life expectancies of 90 years, because of the human genome project. I think we'll be curing Alzheimer's. I think we'll be able to take women within, I don't know how many years, but some period of years, women in their thirties that have the gene predictors for breast cancer, and correcting it so they never develop it in the first place. I think these things—unbelievable stuff is going to happen. You're going to find out what's in the black holes of the universe, and what may even surprise you more, what's in the deepest depths of the ocean. It's going to be an amazing time.

But we've got to also get rid of child poverty. We could bring free enterprise to Indian reservations and inner-city neighborhoods and poor little country towns that never had it. We can provide health insur-

ance to working families that have never been able to get it. We could dramatically cut AIDS, TB, and malaria deaths around the world that kill one in four people every year that die. We can do anything you ever dreamed of, if we make the right decisions. But if we get careless and we don't understand what the choice is and what the consequences are, we'll pay for that as a Nation, just like all of us who are of any age have paid for it in our personal lives in the past.

So in my lifetime we never had a chance like this. So thank you for helping Tom. Thank you, those of you who have helped Hillary, for doing that. It means more than I can say. But just do it for yourselves and your kids and your grandkids and your future. Every chance you get between now and November 7th, you tell somebody, "Let me tell you why I hope you'll vote, and what I think the choice is, and what the consequences are." Because if everybody knows, we're going to have a great celebration.

Thank you.

NOTE: The President spoke at 9:43 p.m. at a private residence. In his remarks, he referred to event cohosts Mark Fox and Denise Rich. Governor Carper of Delaware is a candidate for U.S. Senate from Delaware. A tape was not available for verification of the content of these remarks.

Statement on the National Economy

October 6, 2000

Today, thanks to our economic strategy and the hard work of the American people, we reached another dramatic milestone in our unprecedented economic expansion—the unemployment rate has fallen to 3.9 percent, matching the lowest level in 30 years. Unemployment for African-Americans fell to the lowest level ever recorded, and for Hispanics it remains at historic lows. This is more good news for the American people and another reminder that those who advocate irresponsible tax plans that would jeopardize our fiscal progress are taking America down the wrong economic path.

**Message on the Observance of
Yom Kippur, 2000**

October 6, 2000

Warm greetings to all those observing Yom Kippur.

This Day of Atonement, the most solemn of all the days of the Jewish calendar, is a time for intense prayer, fasting, and reflection. For the duration of Yom Kippur, Jews across America and around the world separate themselves from the comforts and distractions of everyday life to focus on repairing their relationship with God. It is a time to look back on the failures and transgressions of the past year, to make amends, and to seek God's forgiveness.

In neighborhoods across our nation, as Jewish families gather for Yom Kippur services, they offer people of all faiths an extraordinary witness. They remind us of the power of faith that changes lives, the love of family that strengthens spirits, and the blessing of God's forgiveness that allows us to repent of our sins and begin anew.

At this difficult time for all of us who have worked for peace, let us pray for an end to the violence and for a new beginning in the Middle East. Hillary joins me in extending best wishes to all for a meaningful Yom Kippur.

Bill Clinton

**Digest of Other
White House Announcements**

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

September 30

The President had separate telephone conversations with Chairman Yasser Arafat of the Palestinian Authority and Prime Minister Ehud Barak of Israel concerning the recent outbreak of violence between Jews and Palestinians in the Middle East.

The President had a telephone conversation with President Vladimir Putin of Russia concerning the elections in Yugoslavia.

October 2

The President had a telephone conversation with President Ahmet Necdet Sezer of Turkey concerning a congressional resolution to recognize accusations of Turkish genocide against Armenians in 1915.

The President announced his intention to nominate Philip N. Bredesen to be a member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science.

The President announced his intention to nominate Reginald Earl Jones to be Commissioner of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Randolph J. Agle to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The President announced his intention to nominate Mark A. Weinberger to be a member of the Social Security Advisory Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Hsin-Ming Fung to be a member of the National Council on the Arts.

The President announced his intention to nominate Edward F. Reilly, Jr., to be a member of the U.S. Parole Commission.

The White House announced that the President will meet with Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina of Bangladesh in Washington on October 17.

October 3

In the morning, the President traveled to Miami, FL, where he attended a New York Senate 2000 reception in the afternoon at a private residence.

In the evening, the President watched the Presidential candidates debate at a private residence. Afterwards, he had a telephone conversation with Vice President Gore to congratulate him on his performance. Later, the President traveled to Coral Gables, FL.

The President announced his intention to appoint Kate Fitz Gibbon as a member of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee.

The President announced his intention to reappoint Gary J. Lavine as a member of the Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad.